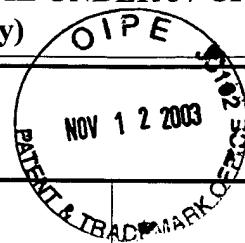


**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

(Large Entity)

Docket No.

04558/035002

In Re Application Of: **Masahiko HIROSE**Serial No.  
10/002,549

Filing Date

November 2, 2001

Examiner  
Sorkin, D.Group Art Unit  
1723

**Invention: HIGHLY PERMEABLE COMPOSITE REVERSE OSMOSIS MEMBRANE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME**

**TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of May 20, 2003 above-identified application.

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month       Two months       Three months       Four months       Five months

from: August 21, 2003      until: November 20, 2003  
*Date*      *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is **\$950** and is to be paid as follows:

- A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **50-0591**
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **50-0591**

*Jeffrey S. Bergman* — *45,925*  
*Signature*

Dated:

*11/12/03*

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<b>Invention:</b> <div style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px;"> <b>HIGHLY PERMEABLE COMPOSITE REVERSE OSMOSIS MEMBRANE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME</b> </div>				
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